Meeting Minutes

Annual General Meeting

Société des parents pour l’éducation francophone (SPEF)

Monday, 25 September 2023

1. **Establishment of quorum; call to order at 1926**

Present: Martine Paquette, Pascale Juneau, Michelle Hart, Miles Muri (Principal), Sonia Lachance (Teachers’ Representative) and Stephanie Edwards.

Quorum was met since there were enough parents present to fill the SPEF positions.

1. **Treaty 6 Land Acknowledgement.**We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge that the land upon which we are meeting and upon which École Saint-Christophe is established is Treaty 6 territory, as well as territory of the Metis Nation of Alberta, Region II.
2. **Principal’s Welcome.**
3. **What is SPEF?** In short, it’s the group that organizes and plans fundraisers to help finance activities and equipment/material purchases that will benefit the students. This group is made up of parents, the principal, and a teacher.
4. **Treasurer’s report (provided by Martine Paquette, treasurer).** Our balances are $2993.62 (Community Builder), $6841 (Casino). We have received a cheque for $2000 from the Knights of Columbus to buy the ukuleles and books. One of the members of Knights of Columbus asked if the students could play ukulele in from of their group, once they have had a chance to practice.
5. **Positions to be filled for the 2023-2024 school year:**
   1. **President**
   2. **Vice-president**
   3. **Treasurer**
   4. **Secretary**
6. **Nominations and elections:**
   1. **President.** Bob Barker nominated in an email sent to the group. There were no other nominations, so Bob was elected by acclamation.
   2. **Vice-president.** Michelle Hart nominated herself. There were no other nominations, so Michelle was elected by acclamation.
   3. **Treasurer.** Martine Paquette nominated herself. There were no other nominations, so Martine was elected by acclamation.
   4. **Secretary.** Pascale Juneau nominated herself. There were no other nominations, so Pascale was elected by acclamation.
7. **New business.**
   1. **Casino update.** We have 4 volunteers and one back up volunteer. The casino will be held October 6 and 7, 2023. Hotel rooms are booked, and all paperwork’s are in order.
   2. **Fundraising.** Ideas for fundraising goals (projects, activities, equipment, etc.) and ideas for fundraisers. There was some discussion about other ideas for fundraisers (including hot lunches). We will continue with hot lunches and Sonia will ask Vera’s Catering, Subway and Honey Pot. Boston Pizza lunches are the same price. Sonia asked if parents could send e-transfer to pay for the lunches. We will have to link SPEF email for money transfers. Ideas for fundraising goals discussed were equipment for woodworking, hand tools, science equipment, soccer nets, new iPad and basketball nets.
8. **Discussion and open forum.** No other discussion.
9. **Next meeting:** Monday, October 30, 2023 after conseil d’école.
10. **Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

Proposed by: Stephanie

Meeting adjourned at 1942